



Evelyn Reis Perry

Evelyn Reis Perry, Charleston businesswoman and leader, is Governor Haley's business representative on the EOC. Improving the quality of public education for her grandchildren and all children in South Carolina and guaranteeing a highly qualified workforce for our state are Ms. Perry's goals.

A graduate of the University of Wisconsin, Ms. Perry is one of a small number of female owner/operators of communications contracting firms and Muzak franchises. She has worked in management positions for more than 30 years and has led Carolina Sound Communications, headquartered in Charleston, SC to consistently impressive growth during her time as President. In 2003, she also acquired Georgia Sound Communications, headquartered in Savannah, Georgia. Ms. Perry is listed in 5 separate Who's Who books, including Finance and Industry, the World, and American Women. She also holds a North Carolina Real Estate Broker's License. She is deeply involved in community service and served as South Carolina Chairman of the White House Conference on Small Business delegation.

She served as founding President of the Lowcountry Chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners and ten years ago, was appointed to and still serves on the Advisory Board of BB&T Bank. Ms. Perry has thrice been published in *Sound & Communications* magazine. She was appointed by former State Senator Glenn McConnell to her second term on the Governor's Small Business Regulatory Review Committee, and most recently served on Governor Haley's committee on Health Services for SC.

Mrs. Perry served as the first woman President of the International Planned Music Association and has served on its board for 25 years. Additionally, Mrs. Perry has served as Chairman of the NFIB leadership council in South Carolina for five years and has been a member of the council for 20 years. She is a member of several other community boards and serves in an advisory capacity to the South of Broadway theater company. She served for six years as a member of the Board of the SC Women's Business Center.

Mrs. Perry served with the Peace Corps in Colombia, South America, and in management positions with the Peace Corps in Washington, DC where she directed the Peace Corps White House celebration of the 5th anniversary and Shriver farewell Gala and years later, on the President's Peace Corps Advisory Council.

Mrs. Perry has been an account executive in PR in Washington and New York and was a professional actress in NY. She worked there for Radio Free Europe, WPIX, and WNYE and has owned her own P.R. and Management Consulting Firm and has been a nationally recognized public speaker. She has held executive consulting positions with the Women's Center in Raleigh, NC; was consulting founding executive director of Artspace (a performing and visual arts center in Raleigh, NC); Recycle Raleigh for Food and Fuel; and served under Governor Hunt in a leadership capacity in his division of Voluntarism from the Workplace. Mrs. Perry has managed several VISTA programs as well as CETA grants and has done professional fundraising in several states...

In 2002, Ms. Perry was named Woman Business Advocate of the Year by the Small Business Administration and this year was named by the Charleston Regional Business Journal as "2012 Woman of Influence ". Ms. Perry recently was elected to the Board of Directors of the Charleston Chamber of Commerce and works with several sub-committees.